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Dr. Richard L. Wilkes
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Dear Dr. Wilkes:

Please be advised that a review of the Virginia Pseudorabies Program Status Stage V application has been completed by the swine staff of the National Center for Animal Health Programs (NCAHP).

We reassign Stage V State-Federal-Industry Pseudorabies Eradication Program status to Virginia for the following 1-year period.

January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010

The next application will be due 90 days after the end of the approval period.

We want to recognize and commend your department staff, and especially your swine industry for this accomplishment. We congratulate your state for the continued absence of pseudorabies from its commercial swine population. Your continued vigilance in monitoring for any signs of renewed infection via maintenance of program standards is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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